

**SPRING 2021** 

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Occupational wage data: jobs.utah.gov/wi

## **Employer Advisor**

### **ONLINE PAYMENTS**

As part of our ongoing efforts to reduce paper processing and keep workers safe, all unemployment insurance tax payments must be made online. Payments can be made online via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). EFT is an easy, secure and efficient way to transfer money online. There are no fees to use EFT and you can always ensure your payment is received timely — no more checks lost in the mail! We provide step-by-step instructions on how to submit your payments using EFT to help make your job easier.

#### **FEDERAL STIMULUS EXTENSIONS**

Federal unemployment stimulus benefits have been extended through Sept. 4, 2021. For more information, visit jobs.utah.gov/covid19.



### FRAUD WARNING

The Utah Department of Workforce Services will not send links for commercial products nor use links or web pages from any social media platforms (e.g., Facebook, Instagram) for official business.

The ONLY method for a worker to apply for unemployment benefits or for an employer to make changes to their employer account, is through jobs.utah.gov (our official state website), using our online Live Chat, or by calling 801-526-4400.

### EMPLOYERS A CRITICAL PARTNER IN FRAUD DETECTION

Unemployment benefits are a partial and temporary wage replacement for individuals unemployed through no fault of their own. If an individual receiving unemployment benefits refuses a job offer, they may be disqualified from the receipt of additional benefits. If you offered an individual work and they refused, please report the individual and all applicable information at

jobs.utah.gov/ui/home/Fraud/UIFraud

OR BY CALLING 801-526-4400.

# HEALTHY TRUST FUND = LOW TAXES = YOUR BUSINESS HAS MORE MONEY TO INVEST



Because Utah's unemployment compensation trust fund is solvent, unemployment insurance tax rates are low. Low rates mean Utah's employers can invest in their employees and businesses, which strengthens Utah's economy.

How low are Utah's tax rates compared to the nation? In Utah, the average employer tax amount per employee covered by the Utah Employment Security act is \$113. The highest state is \$631 (Massachusetts) and the national average is \$277.

#### VIRTUAL JOB FAIR

The Department of Workforce Services hosts monthly virtual job fairs to connect job seekers with hiring employers. Open positions in health care, transportation, banking, customer service, education, construction and many more are represented.

Virtual job fairs allow job seekers and employers to participate from their own computer or smartphone. After logging in, participants are able to see a digital floor plan with rows of booths, each representing an employer. After clicking on an employer booth, the job seeker can see the company profile, job openings and social media. They can also start a live chat with a hiring representative and share their resume. Employers can schedule interviews or even make job offers on the spot.

### UPCOMING STATEWIDE VIRTUAL JOB FAIRS:

APRIL 1, 2021 - 10 A.M. - 1 P.M. MAY 6, 2021 - 10 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Job seekers can participate by registering at jobs. utah.gov in their job search account, click on the calendar, select the desired date and then register for the desired job fair. The department is also offering an online workshop the day



before to help job seekers get the most out of the virtual job fair.

If you are interested in finding out more about participating in one of our virtual job fairs or other services that are available to meet your hiring needs, contact your local Workforce Development Specialist.

### RESIDENTIAL RENT RELIEF

If you have employees who have been financially impacted by the pandemic, they may be eligible for rental assistance. Please share this with employees who you feel could benefit. They can apply at rentrelief.utah.gov.